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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, CIA Historical Staff

SUBJECT : Status of the DDI Historical Program, 31  
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1. The DDI Historical Program continues to progress toward the completion of its catching-up phase. Twenty-four of the 49 currently scheduled histories have now been published; five others from the original catching up program have been transferred to the ongoing program. The majority of the remaining histories are in various stages of review and revision, with only eight drafts remaining to be completed. Four histories are still less than half finished.

2. Thirteen writers are currently engaged - all but three of them actively - in completing the remaining first drafts. Five of these are full-time writers. Nine authors, currently inactive while their histories are being processed, are available on a part time basis for revisions or other details. Seven other writers are assigned to the revising of histories, though two of these have not been active recently. Six offices have assigned new men to revise or complete papers originally drafted by writers who have retired or been reassigned.

3. A number of monographs and several large office histories are moving toward final publication and the next quarter should also see significant progress in rounding up the stragglers in the DDI components. CRS, DCS, and NPIC are the DDI offices which are not yet within sight of completing their programs for the catching-up period.

4. Meanwhile, planning has gone ahead in the DDI area for the ongoing phase of the CIA historical program. The Office of the DDI and NPIC already have writers active on three projects falling in this program.

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